

Glad Tidings Magazine's 40th ANNIVERSARY

Editor's Note: Forty years ago, the exact month and day is unknown, the first issue of *Glad Tidings Magazine* rolled off the press in San Francisco. It was designed to serve the new institution, Glad Tidings Mission and Bible Training School, which has since grown into Bethany Bible College. The first issue was a simple four page edition filled with testimonies of the early Pentecostal blessing. Through these forty years the magazine has continued its full gospel witness - in fact it has been a witness of approximately 6360 pages. The following columns contain excerpts from several of the early editions of *Glad Tidings*.

1921

The great meeting at San Jose during Easter week, was a blessing not only to Pentecostal people, but to Christians and skeptics alike. The doors of the First Baptist Church were thrown open to our sister, Amy Semple McPherson. The spacious church was thronged, with the sick, with saints, and with sinners. Hundreds were healed before the eyes of the eager crowds, and brought the realization that God is, and that He is mighty. Blind eyes were opened, the lame walked, the dumb spake, and sick were healed, and the afflicted restored. The sight was more than the sinners could stand, and the love and power of God crowded the altar and even the aisles with those who were crying out to God for mercy and forgiveness. It seemed that when the altar call was given, many moved forward and sought God on their knees. It was a blessed sight. Not only were sinners saved, but lives were re-consecrated, and many received the baptism. Pastor Wm. K. Towner who opened his church to the fulness of the Gospel, received his baptism, as did a number of his official board and communicants. Pastor Towner will be at our special meetings in May.

News of real victory comes from Dunsmuir, California. Pastor M. T. Draper reports in part as follows: "My wife and I arrived here in October, 1918. We had only a few dollars, but knew that God had sent us. In proof of His goodness to those who will seek to do His will, he began to save and to baptize until we now have a fine little assembly who own their own church and parsonage".

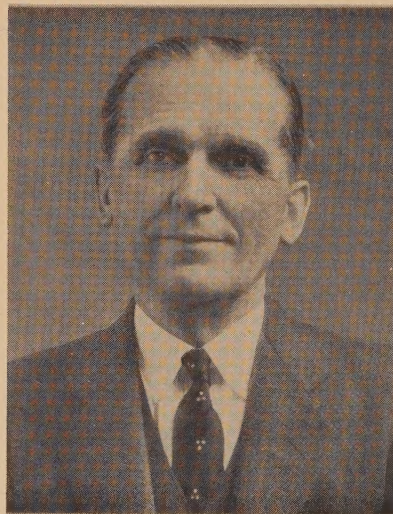
Pastor Mowat is in the midst of a revival campaign at Stockton. He is using the New Glad Tidings tent.

Pastor Clark of San Miguel is standing at his post amid persecutions and

God is honoring his faithfulness.

Perhaps the most recent addition to our Assemblies is the new Spanish Mission which is being fostered by Sisters Luce and Murcutt in our Bible School lecture room. Pastor Juan Guerrara, for twenty years a denominational preacher, has been led to shepherd the flock. He received the baptism some months ago, as have his wife and children. There are perhaps fifty Spanish speaking people who have been drawn to the new Mission and many of them were already baptized saints, but nearly every meeting sees some one either saved or baptized. God is with these dear Spanish people.

Evangelist Haliday is in a good



R. V. Craig, First Editor Glad Tidings

campaign in Chico. Brother Gladwin Nichols has a fine grasp on the Oakland work and God is blessing at 372 Tenth Street.

We have received reports from all over the district, but cannot here give them space. If God wills that this little messenger shall become a permanent bearer of stories of God's love

and power, space will be given to all. There are three coming events which will interest every saint in the district. One is the Week of Prayer and the Prayer Conference, ordained for all Pentecostal believers, for the week of May 1st to 7th. There will be special teaching on the subject of prayer, and special help in deepening the prayer life. Come and be with us. The Annual District Council is during the week of May 10th to 14th. Matters of general interest and of special importance to the district, will be the subject of prayer and discussion. The Graduation Exercises of the Bible School will be held Saturday evening, May 14th. For two weeks preceding graduation, the student preachers will conduct a great revival. Prayer has gone up for a mighty outpouring. There will be many Pastors bringing members of their Assemblies with them to enjoy the week of prayer, the District Conference, the Graduation, and the Students Revival. May we not expect that you too will join us in prayer and in person?

1922

TESTIMONIES FROM SOME GRADUATES

"I desire to express my appreciation of the two years' course of training received in GLAD TIDINGS BIBLE SCHOOL, for as the result of this the Bible has become the most wonderful book in the world to me. The types and shadows of the Old Testament are mysteries no longer, as I use the key under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. I shall never cease to praise God for those two years and what they have meant to me.

Your unworthy sister,
Alice Tennant"
Jeanau, Alaska

"The benefits derived by me from GLAD TIDINGS BIBLE SCHOOL in connection with the Mission, have been invaluable. I find that it is exceedingly important in this combat not only to have the Sword but to have it ready. I find that the more I permit the Sword to be used the greater liberty I have to use it."

Hans Beck
Cazadero, Calif.

Tidings I can truly say that this has established me more in the Lord and has also opened up the Word of God to me."

Esther Christofferson
Turlock, Calif.

"November the 2nd, 1919, found me a youth of 18, in GLAD TIDINGS TRAINING SCHOOL. I had just \$5.00 but the dear Lord provided work and I successfully finished the course. Its inestimably valuable lessons have proved a wonderful help and uplift to me and I expect, (D. V.), to sail for Central America in November, or December of this year. Pray for me."

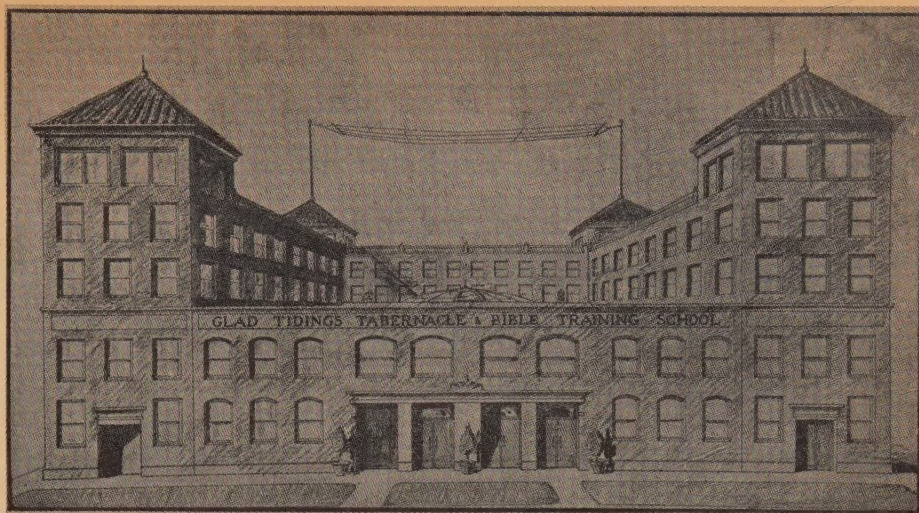
Clarence T. Radley
Modesto, Calif.

"Glad Tidings Bible School has meant a lot to me. It has meant learning to rightly divide the Word of Truth; not in cross sections, but straight through according to the Divine Plan. The training I received has been of inestimable value, not only for myself, but in helping others to come to a knowledge of the fullness of God's love as expressed in Christ Jesus. I thank God for Spirit-filled teachers and a place where school training, Mission work, and actually Missionary work, go on at the same time."

D. R. Richards
Ceres, Calif.

"The GLAD TIDINGS BIBLE SCHOOL has meant a great deal in my life. There I learned to rightly divide the Word of Truth, and the course has also built me up spiritually and given me a solid foundation on which to stand. I am now out in His great harvest field, and by His Grace, I desire to put Hih Holy Word into practice so that I may win souls for Him."

Herman Winkelman
Gridley, Calif.



Pictured is a sketch of the building which housed the Bible Training School. In the day this was built, the project was one which required overwhelming faith. Prior to the time this building was constructed, an older frame structure which was across the street was used.

1924

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There are doubtless many scores of needy fields in these western States that would welcome qualified workers of the Pentecostal faith. Our desire is to bring the worker and the needy field together. If you know of such a field where one or two of these splendid young people could win souls and, under God, establish a strong work in that community, write Pastor R. J. Craig, 1536 Ellis St., San Francisco. The fields are white, laborers must work diligently while it is day for soon the night cometh when no one can work.

1922

Glad Tidings has completely outgrown its present quarters, and additional space and increased facilities of various kinds are imperatively necessary in order that the Tabernacle and Bible School should accomplish

the work, for the performance of which, to His Glory, God brought them into being.

This is a sign of good health, for the work will be ten years old on the 24th of this month (July, 1922), and any mother can tell you that a thriving youngster outgrows his clothes and makes largely augmented demands on her as the years go by. Nor is she unprepared for this, but rather it is her delight to meet his needs, and to note his advancing development as shown by his increased requirements. So our Father has not been unmindful of the growth of this work from a tiny seedling to a great tree with spreading branches.

As the need for space for expansion, and facilities for development have arisen, He has put it into the hearts of His people to purchase a property 175x137 feet on Ellis street, about one-half block east of the present site, and has made it possible for us to pay

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A Brief History of the Magazine

Glad Tidings Magazine has been regularly published in our District since January, 1925. Beginning in 1921 it was published intermittently by Glad Tidings Temple of San Francisco as a sort of publicity release. It originally was four pages and soon grew to a 12 page publication, then in August, 1929, it expended to 16 pages. At that time it featured news of the Northwest District (including Oregon), as well as Northern California and Nevada. In 1938 this District took official cognizance of *Glad Tidings* and declared it the official organ of the District. The Superintendent was designated the editor, but a good part of the actual preparation of the paper

was left to the assistant. *Glad Tidings* editors through the years have been as follows:

R. J. Craig, 1921-38
J. P. Thommen, 1938-39
Hazel MacLeod, 1940
L. R. Keys, 1940-41
R. J. Thurmond, 1941-44
W. T. Gaston, 1944-45
Marjorie (Maddocks) Sherman, 1945-53
L. T. Holdcroft, 1953-57
Paul Kienel, 1957-58
Melvin Johnson, 1958-

Editorially Speaking

During the research for this anniversary edition, it has been my delight to look through many of the early copies of *Glad Tidings*. I could not help being caught up in the spirit and enthusiasm which our forefathers in this wonderful Pentecostal faith displayed in apparently all they did.

Repeatedly, reference is made to a life of faith. Living in a spirit of prayer and devotion is heavily emphasized. And then, a knowledge of God's Word seems to be the central theme and heart throb of the early men of our District. I feel we have just cause to be proud of our heritage.

It is true some reports have it that all was not as it should be. But, may I ask, who has a perfect heritage? It remains, a foundation in godliness and true Christian character was laid, and for this we must be grateful.

This type of revival is what we must *seek* and anticipate today. What is history is fine, but we must be busy making history ourselves. We must view revival of this nature as something to possess today.

It was a revival that sparked people to action. Even those with very little ability were found busy for God. It was a revival of challenge. If a task needed to be done, someone set about to do it regardless of circumstances. And the impossible was accomplished. It was a revival to win the lost. Apparently, everywhere and anywhere believers witnessed to the unsaved. Because of this crowds were not uncommon.

In forty years we have learned much. We have learned there is no substitute for a heavenly revival.

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The Cover Picture

The face of *Glad Tidings* has made several changes through the years. On our cover we have pictured, beginning with the first edition, six magazines. 1919 is mentioned on the cover of the 1921 copy. This is not the date of the magazine, but has reference to a meeting which was conducted some-time before.

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\$26,000, the sum necessary to secure this property, which now belongs to Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Incorporated.

We are not a rich people at Glad Tidings, and to raise this amount, part of which is a gift, the balance loaned with or without interest, has meant real sacrifice, but oh! so gladly for His dear sake who gave Himself for love of us.

One sister gave a diamond broach, around which no doubt many precious associations cluster, as her share of the offering to the Lord; while another handed in a sum of money with the words "This was set aside for my new Spring suit, but I will gladly wear my old one and give it to Jesus." There are many shining eyes, smiling lips and praising voices round the Tabernacle these days, for it seems that the larger the offerings the happier are the hearts of the Saints.

The New Building

On the land which has been secured it is the intention to erect a building, four stories in height, consisting of a central building, with two wings, of which the illustration at the head of this article gives a fair prospective

idea. This building, substantially as it appears in the picture, has been shown to more than one of God's people in vision, during the months that the matter has been held before God in prayer. The center of the building will contain the Auditorium, seating approximately 2500, prayer rooms, healing rooms, with every necessary comfort for helpless patients brought in on stretchers, and in wheel chairs (the worst cases will be gladly welcomed, for God's Arm is not shortened), a reading room with a supply of Bibles, and current Pentecostal literature, the office of the Pastor and his secretary; and, in the upper stories, rooms for the Faculty of the Bible Training School.

The eastern and western wings will contain the lecture rooms, equipped with modern educational appliances, rooms for the students, Prayer Towers, whence intercessory prayer will ascend to the Throne of God, day and night, without ceasing, for the salvation of sinners, the healing of the sick, the baptism of believers in the Holy Ghost, and the exaltation of the Name of Jesus Christ in every land beneath the sun.

istrations of the gentle dove of God, and opens the door to Satan.

We see many who are not possessed of what we would call an evil mind but their hearts are so "hardened in pride" (Dan. 5:20) that they are led into all kinds of false doctrines, which set man on the throne instead of God. In Rom. 12:2 we are commanded not to be conformed to this world but "be ye transformed by the re-newing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God." How blessedly we will be transformed into the image of Christ if we allow the Holy Spirit to renew our whole being, including our minds.

Many dear Christians are troubled with wandering thoughts, unbelieving thoughts, and a state of doublemindedness against which the Scriptures warn us. We are told in Jas. 1:8 that "A doubled minded man is unstable in all his ways." The context tells us of a man who wavers and who is like a wave of the sea, driven of the wind and tossed, and it is added, "let not that man think that he shall receive anything of the Lord." Does this not explain the delay in God's answer to many of our prayers and also the fact of our never receiving answers to some prayers which we feel are according to God's Word? Our own attitude of pride of mind, which occasions unbelief, is responsible for many such failures.

In Isa. 55:7 the righteous man is commanded to forsake not only his own way, but also his thoughts, and then God promises to have mercy upon him and to "abundantly pardon." Instead of our thoughts, God will give us His thoughts and we have this blessed encouragement, "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts." Who would not welcome such a blessed exchange; Christ's mind instead of our mind, God's thoughts instead of our thoughts? Who has not known the unspeakable weariness of their own thoughts, which so often run riot in the brain, especially when one is weak or ill?

In Rom. 1:28 we read of those who so failed in obedience toward God, and who so allowed their imaginations or reasonings to dominate them, that they utterly refused to believe God. As a sad result "their foolish heart was darkened," and we read a long list of frightful evils which came upon them until "God gave them over to a repro-

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Editor's Note: Rev. R. J. Craig established a friendship across the bay in Oakland with Mrs. Carrie Judd Montgomery, operator of the Home of Peace. Her Home was a waystation for missionaries, but she also found time to write. Voluminous are the collection of her poems. Here is an article she prepared for *Glad Tidings*.

April, 1925

Let This Mind Be In You

by Mrs. Carrie Judd Montgomery

WE BELIEVE that a great many spiritual difficulties come to us because we do not obey the admonition which we find in Phil. 2:5: "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." In the following verses we find the mind of Christ described. This blessed God-man "made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men; and being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."

Only the blessed Holy Spirit can work in us this "lowliness of mind" as we humble ourselves with Christ and become obedient unto His death. As the Spirit works in us the crucified life, we find that we are able to obey the commands which follow in this chapter. "Do all things without murmurings and disputings: that ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God without rebuke, in the midst of a

crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine (mar. shine ye) as lights in the world, holding forth the Word of life." What a beautiful life is here described, to have no murmurings, no disputings, to be harmless and without blame; to constantly shine as lights for Jesus, holding forth his blessed Word that others may hear the message of life for spirit, soul and body.

The Word of God warns us against the carnal mind which is enmity against God, and tells us that such a man is "vainly puffed up by his fleshy mind." It is very sad to note that so many of God's dear children in these days are getting into a state of high-mindedness which makes them unteachable so that they are not open to the truth, and the Holy Spirit cannot guide them into all truth as He would love to do. All pride of mind, which includes pride in our own opinions, or rejoicing in any intellectual effort of our own, closes the door to the min-

THERE HAS BEEN
STUDENTS ATTENDING

Married Bible

by DAVID PAGE



Typical married student, Dick Brown, takes time to play with his little boy, Davie. Wife Sabra watches from the kitchen.

MARRIED couples do attend Bible college. It is estimated that for the last five years married students have made up approximately 15% of the college student bodies. These married students have taken active part in the activities of the student body, directly or otherwise. One observation shows that on the whole the married student does better work during his college years than does the average single student — desirable study habits — intense interest — higher grades.

We have selected two married students, representative of those who attend Bethany Bible College, whose backgrounds, dedication, and determination will help you receive a clearer picture of the life of married students attending our college.

Dick Brown, a senior at Bethany, comes from Red Bluff, California. Reared in a Christian home, Dick has experienced many blessings of the Lord. At the early age of 12 misfortune fell his lot and Dick was stricken by rheumatic fever. Thanks be to the Lord, however, he was completely healed by the Master. Since that day of his healing, Dick realized his indebtedness to the Lord . . . the need

for his unfailing loyalty and obedience to the Master's bidding.

During his years in high school, Dick lost his grip, and slowly slipped away from the Lord, playing in a high school jazz band. It was not until youth camp in the summer of 1954 that Dick, through the ministry of a recent returnee from the mission field, was reminded of his indebtedness to God. There at that youth camp Dick was reclaimed to the Lord and at the same time experienced a definite burden to enter active Christian service.

Dick's pastor took a personal interest in him; counselling with him, praying with him and encouraging him to enter Bible college. This encouragement, coupled with that of other friends and relatives, helped Dick reach a decision to enroll in Bethany.

Realizing the need to earn sufficient finances for his first year of study, Dick worked for one year. During this time he found his helpmate, Sabra, and together they labored toward the calling of God.

With Charles Beadle, a sophomore at Bethany, it is a different and yet similar story. His wife, Eddie, explains, "Charles was born in a Christ-

ian home in Little Rock, Arkansas, and experienced a genuine conversion when about 12 years old. We first met at Central Assembly in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and were soon married. After our marriage we took an active part in the church's activities. Charlie was head of the Senior Department of the young people, leader of the C. A.'s for 5 years, official song leader for 4 years and a member of the deacon board."

When asked about the experiences surrounding their decision to enter full time Christian service, Mrs. Beadle, with a tone of calm enthusiasm reminisced, "It all happened one evening while conversing with our assistant pastor about the Lord's work — its problems and its rewards. After our visit with him, we continued about our business for several days. This was in June of 1959. One day Charles confessed that since the conversation with our assistant pastor he had had an intense desire to enter full time Christian service. The peculiar thing about it was that I had sensed the same burden."

Of course, much preparatory work had to be done and many were the obstacles that stood in the way. "I remember," continued Mrs. Beadle, "the day I won a drawing in a department store in Tulsa. You know, one of those contests where you slip your name in a box. I won an old car which we sold for \$150, and a check for \$100. This, we both felt, was an indication of the leading of the Lord into the ministry. This happened in July."

"But that was only a small part of the confirmation," continued Mrs. Beadle. "We were some \$3,000 in debt. I was supervisor for the telephone company in Tulsa while Charles was distribution manager for the Anchor Petroleum Company of Tulsa. So, you see, we were faring sufficiently. Any change in our employment status would mean a miracle on God's

SWING IN THE NUMBER OF MARRIED
LEGE. HERE'S AN INFORMAL REPORT ON...

Couples Go To College

BUBLIC RELATION DIRECTOR, BETHANY BIBLE COLLEGE

part. One Sunday morning in church, Dr. C. C. Burnett, who was visiting in Tulsa, brought a challenging message. That same morning there was a message and interpretation encouraging the people of God to step out by faith. This was the confirmation for which we had been waiting. After the service, Dr. Burnett encouraged us to attend Bethany Bible College.

"When we made the final decision, things began to work out. Both Charles and I resigned our jobs, sold our home, and in less than two months time we had paid off all but \$200 of our debts. What an enriching experience!"

Both Dick and Charles have, since coming to Bethany, found a place for themselves within the student body. Dick has been active in musical groups since his freshman year and is presently with the Forerunners Quartet, singing and preaching on weekends. Charles is not only vice-president of his Sophomore Class, but also directs the Freshmen Chorus, a 16-voice choir, and the Male Chorus.

A typical day for either of these gentlemen runs something like this: 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, classes; 12:00 to 12:30 p.m., lunch hour; 12:30 to 6:00 p.m., work hours . . . Dick on the Bethany Park maintenance crew, and Charles on the College maintenance gang; 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., supper hour; 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., time with the kids (one for Dick and three for Charles); 8:00 to 9:00 p.m., practice hour with special groups; 9:30 to midnight, study hours.

For the wives of Dick and Charles, an expanding program is conducted by the campus church, Craig Chapel. There are weekly WMC meetings and occasional Students' Wives Fellowship meetings. From time to time, exclusive socials for married students and their wives are sponsored by the Student Council.

Relative to the more perplexing aspects of college life, Dick Brown

comments, "It was a rather difficult adjustment from our former income to our present earnings. Experiences in Bible college can be very trying at times, but we never worry, because the Lord always takes good care of us. I am convinced that if a person is in the will of God, He will provide. I thank the Lord for a wonderful wife. I don't think I would have made it had it not been for her continued financial and moral support."

Charles Beadle admits, too, that, "The experiences in Bible college are taxing, but rewarding. Just to see the Lord become master of every situation makes all the hard going and tough struggles worthwhile. So far, all our needs have been met, even from the very day we started out for California

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To the right, Dick and Charles are as they participate in school life. They chat with instructor, Dr. James Rider, during free time, are fed spiritually in a chapel service, and listen intently in class. Below, a group of married students enjoy a social.





known during the pre-Christmas season. Results of the meeting continue and plans are being made for a return meeting. The evangelist formerly was pastor of Sutter City and C. A. Representative of the Butte Section. H. E. Chester is pastor.

MENLO PARK —

Rev. and Mrs. Jack Duckworth of Paisley, Scotland, were guests of the church for a week and ministered with blessing. Walter and Ruth Erickson stirred missionary enthusiasm just a week before returning to Peru. George Holmes is pastor.

MODESTO —

Bethel Church heard Pastor Kermit Jeffrey teach, "Understanding God's Word," Jan. 23-27. The pastor is L. B. Lewis.

MODESTO —

Central Assembly reports an increase in every department during the past three months. The most marked are the Sunday morning and evening services. The C. A. Dept. has doubled, the youth choir conducted by Harold Richardson now has 52 voices and the Sunday School is averaging 349. Sixteen acres of ground have been purchased for a new church and educational unit. W. E. Larson is pastor.

MORGAN HILL —

Evangelists Eddie and Ruth Washington held a revival meeting for Pastor Douglas Fairington the first week in January. Dr. Willard Pierce conducted a Worker's Training Course also in January.

NORTH HIGHLANDS —

Evangelist Herman Pencovic was guest speaker for Pastor Glen Parks Jan. 17.

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CHARMICHAEL —

First Assembly was host to the Sacramento area Workers Training Course held Jan. 30 - Feb. 3 with Pastor L. R. Keys of San Jose, instructor. L. W. Suter is pastor.

CUPERTINO —

Monta Vista Assembly enjoyed the Worker's Training Course under the teaching of Billy Reeves of Springfield, Mo., in January. Guest speakers for January included Fred Greve of Bethany Bible College and Maurice and Mrs. Luce of Samoa. Scheduled for March is a revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Oran Duncan. H. Russell Baker is pastor.

DEL PASO HEIGHTS —

Pastor Tom Myers of Astoria Assembly reports a revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Ben Givens of Live Oak. In spite of heavy fog good crowds attended and it was considered the best meeting of the past five years. Pastor Myers recommends the Givens to our assemblies.

DENAIR —

In spite of the most adverse weather conditions in ten years the church enjoyed a sweeping revival with Evangelist and Mrs. N. A. Golusin from Cincinnati, Ohio. Many were saved and five received the Holy Spirit. The Sunday School is averaging 15 over last year, new families have been added and recently eight were baptised in water. Jim Logan is pastor.

ESCALON —

Pastor Melvin Steward has witnessed a revival for the past several months. A number have been saved in their homes as well as in the church services.

Evangelist Claude Wood held meetings the first two weeks in November and from the first night souls were filled. A Wednesday night Family Night has met with success. Two groups of Missionettes, a Boy's Club and an adult prayer and praise service are held simultaneously. Minister of Youth, Sam Oquist, now directs a group of 32 boys. In two weeks six made decisions for Christ. During the last six months 15 have received the Holy Spirit and 16 adults and six

boys saved, 12 baptised in water and 17 new members received into the church. Wednesday is a day of prayer for continuous revival throughout the District.

FALLON, NEV. —

On Jan. 27 the Nevada Section divided and two sections were formed. Following business meetings were held and the Northern Nevada Section elected Maurice Caudill (former presbyter of Nevada Section) and Sierra Section elected Gerald Fischer of Sparks as presbyter.

FORT BRAGG —

Evangelist Leonard Miller held a revival for Pastor George McQueen in November. Ed Holmes and Thomas Jackson, and George Effman of the American Indian Fellowship also ministered recently.

FORT SEWARD —

Pastor H. E. Silvius appreciated a Youth Revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Gene Hensley in January. The young people of Fort Seward presented their pastors with a round-trip ticket to Oildale as a Christmas gift making it possible for them to visit their family.

GRIDLEY —

Evangelist Marvin Long held one of the best revivals the church has

DISTRICT REVIVALTIME REPORT

Joseph L. Gerhart, Representative
Northern California and Nevada District came in *Fourth place*
for total giving during 1960.

I want to express my appreciation to each church for their faithful giving during 1960 that has helped send the gospel message around the world.

The following churches have been the four largest givers to Revivaltime from our District for the past year:

Lodi, First A/G	\$1,201.87
Modesto, Bethel	853.31
Las Vegas, Trinity	843.50
Crescent City, A/G	650.40

Let every church co-operate by giving to REVIVALTIME during 1961!

TESTIMONIAL — LISTENED TO REVIVALTIME IN NURSING HOME

Messiah College, Grantham, Pa.

I am a teen-ager who is now attending my church college. I listen to REVIVALTIME each Sunday morning. This summer I worked at a nursing home. Each morning the 26 patients would listen over the P.A. system to your program. We enjoyed it so much. The patients expressed their appreciation for your program time and again.

JULIANNA SCHOCK



Open Doors for Women

by GOLDIA ANDERSON

There are many types of doors - large doors, small doors, heavy doors, light doors, solid doors, glass doors, revolving doors, sliding doors, and electronic doors - each designed to serve a purpose.

Some doors seem to beckon with a friendly gesture to enter and share the happiness they hold. Others definitely guard their secrets from a curious world.

A door serves a two-fold function. It marks a place of entry and yet provides protection. It seems almost incredible that a designer who has spent many hours to develop a burglar-proof lock, can be outwitted in a few seconds by a crafty intruder, but it does happen.

Quite often we find it possible to open or shut certain doors to our fellowmen, but the doors which God opens we cannot shut, nor can we unseal the doors which God chooses to close. The Psalmist says, "He maketh the devices of the people of non effect" (Psa. 33:10).

In the Scripture we are reminded that men's efforts are utterly futile when matched against the strength of the true and holy God. It says, "These things saith He that is holy, He that is true, He that hath the key of David, He that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth and no man openeth; I know they works; behold I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it" (Rev. 3:7,8).

The open door of missionary work is before us. He is the keeper of the door. Let us advance! *The greater our forces, the greater our triumph.* We need every woman in the church! We need young consecrated women to give energies to the task. We need older dedicated women to pray, guide and finance.

The greater our investment, the greater our dividends. Every woman in our church should have an opportunity to invest in this wonderful soul saving ministry. An investment will alert their interest as well as reward them in dividends. "Give and it shall be given unto you" (Luke 6:38). Let us concentrate on the "giving" and let God take care of our "getting".

The greater our knowledge the greater our message. "Information begets knowledge, knowledge begets interest, and interest begets action." It is necessary for us to become acquainted with our missionaries and their fields before our work can become effective. There are materials available from our W. M. C. Department headquarters. The *Slant* magazine is to the W. M. C. President the same as a Sunday school quarterly is to a Sunday school teacher. The *Slant* gives you missions study, projects, and devotion material.

The greater our unity, the greater our purpose. Often we sing "The more we pull together, the happier we'll be" This is good thinking. Many hands do make light work. This is the true purpose of the "divide to multiply" plan or our elective groups which gives every woman in the church the choice of working in the group she is most interested. First a co-ordinator to keep all groups working together, then these elective groups are named: (1) Foreign Missions (2) Home Missions (3) Benevolence and (4) Local. Here is an opportunity for every woman to do something, which means she becomes a part of the program of the W. M. C. Let us all try the elective plan and enjoy a greater "oneness" among our

membership.

The greater our goal, the greater our achievement. How often have we failed because we did not plan to succeed? The missionary adoption plan is very important to the group and also very important to the missionary. The adoption plan helps us to reach the goal of serving our missionaries so that they in turn can serve to the people of their fields this great plan of Salvation.

"Behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it." Do we believe it? Then let us enlarge our forces, increase our investments, strengthen our knowledge, unite together to achieve our goal of winning souls to Christ with faithful hands for the glory of God.

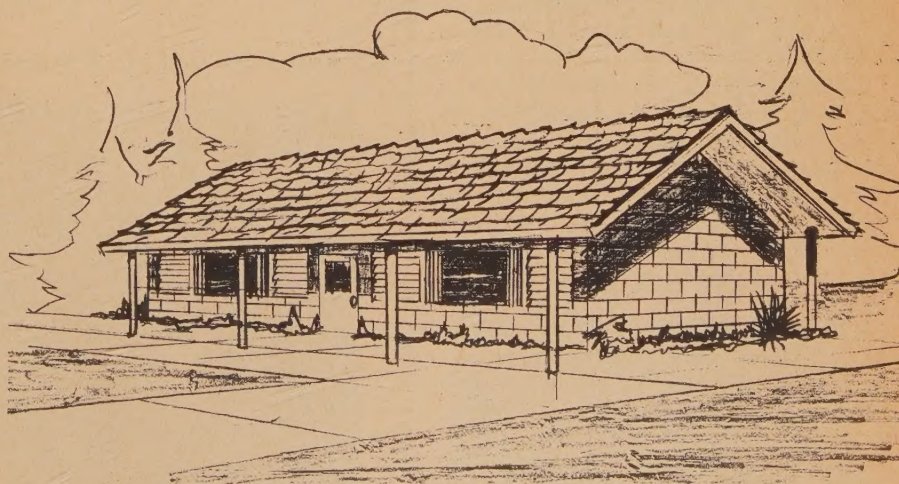
News From Springfield

We at the national WMC office extend to everyone our appreciation for the nation-wide observance of our recent annual WMC Day, February 26. We trust the theme of the day has helped strengthen our mutual purpose to consecrate more fully and give ourselves more completely.

Thank you, everyone - pastors and all who had a part in the service and in giving. Our earnest desire and prayer is that the quality of our service to the constituency shall justify your faithful support of this office.

Mildred T. Smuland
National Secretary, WMC

SKETCH OF PROPOSED COMMISSARY



This is an artist's sketch of the proposed W. M. C. Commissary to be located at Bethany Park. The pennies given by the W. M. C. ladies are for this much needed Commissary. All donations may be sent to Goldia Anderson, Box 961, Santa Cruz, and are tax deductible.



MISSIONARIES ABROAD

ALASKA —

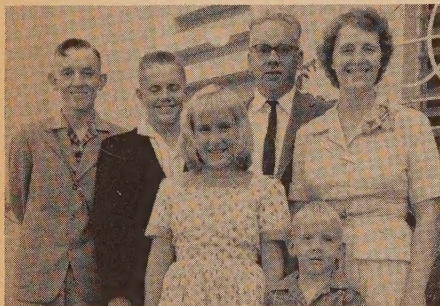
Agnes Rodli, Barter Island, reports the conversion of a young man New Year's night and evidence of continued Christian growth.

CENTRAL AFRICA —

Paul and Miriam Wright, Nyasaland, write there was an attendance of 90 in the Bible School this year. In addition to time spent teaching, they attempt to minister to four churches each week and have the print shop as a full time job. The boys were out of school six weeks beginning in June with malaria, flu, measles and a bout with ear and kidney infection, but are well now.

CENTRAL AMERICA —

Arthur and Janie Lindvall, El Salvador, report this has been the best



The Lindvall Family

year yet. A total of 236 churches, 32 new ones, 235 new branch Sunday

PHENOMENAL GROWTH —

Campus Ambassador, Assemblies of God college magazine published by the C. A. Department, has set a new circulation record. An 80 percent increase has been reached over last year's figure at this time. A total approaching 4,000 is anticipated for the first time in history. Students attending non-Assemblies of God colleges, whose name and colleges are submitted to the C. A. Department, may receive the magazine free of charge.

GLOBAL CONQUEST CIRCULATION—The Foreign Missions Department has announced circulation of Global Conquest has reached 250,000. This makes it the widest circulated publication of the denomination besides Sunday school quarterlies.

schools in addition to 644 active ones. This means 1115 in different places. A larger building to train native workers is urgently needed and an out pouring of the Holy Spirit even more so.

SOUTH AMERICA —

Bernhard and Doris Johnson write of the Second Annual District Council held in Divinopolis when over 500 delegates and visitors representing 75 cities gathered. The evening rallies attracted crowds of over 1000. On the final Sunday a crowd of 5000 witnessed the baptismal service climaxing a parade by visiting choirs and brass bands. Business men were impressed and the mayor welcomed the pastors. Pray for Bernhard who has the responsibility of the superintendency and Doris and the children who are steadily improving in health.

He who offers God second place, offers Him no place.

Gerhart Missionary Tour



On May 19 the World Conference of Pentecostal Churches will convene in Jerusalem, Israel. This is bound to be a history-making event.

The Presbyters of the Northern Calif. and Nevada District have proposed and unanimously passed a motion to send our superintendent, Joseph L. Gerhart, as the official representative from our District. He is to visit as many missionaries and mission stations as possible on this trip.

The expenses of the trip are to be underwritten by the District. Contributions from the churches and individuals are to be designate, "Superintendent's Missionary Tour" and sent to: JACK R. EDGAR

P. O. BOX 961

SANTA CRUZ, CALIF.

The Presbyters also urged Brother Gerhart to have Mrs. Gerhart accompany him. A fund has been established at the District office where tax deductible receipts can be written for this purpose. For those wishing to assist Sister Gerhart with her expenses, make your checks payable to Jack R. Edgar and designate them "Mrs. Gerhart, Missionary Tour."

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Atwood Foster, President of Church Extension Plan, and E. Wm. Anderson, District Representative, discuss plans for enlargement of local program

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CHURCH EXTENSION PLAN



Sunday School Department

DAVE COLBERT, Director



Here Are The 1960 Attendance Leaders

1. Sacramento, Bethel	846
2. Hayward, Bethel	493
3. Redwood City	453
4. Turlock, Bethel	445
5. San Jose, Bethel	422
6. Sunnyvale, First	350
7. Roseville, First	349
8. Vallejo, First	347
9. Modesto, Central	331
10. Richmond, Full Gospel	322
11. Stockton, Calvary	309
12. Richmond, Central	296
13. Lodi	286
14. Oroville, First	245
15. Manteca	244
16. Oakland, Calvary	238
17. Carmichael	222
18. Modesto, Bethel	212
19. Eureka, First	211
20. Salinas, Alisal	209
21. Sparks, Nev.	209
22. No. Sacramento, First	204

SCHOOLS SHOWING A GAIN OF 20 OR MORE IN AVERAGE ATTENDANCE 1960

School	Gain
1. San Francisco, Community	63
2. San Leandro, Heaven of Rest	54
3. North Highlands	50
4. Las Vegas, Trinity	40
5. Castro Valley	38
6. Salinas, Calvary	35
7. Manteca	34
8. Corning	32
9. Ukiah	30
10. Fort Seward	28
11. Newark	27
12. Madera, First	25
13. Merced	23
14. Tullake	23
15. Redding, Bethel	23
16. Modesto, Airport	22
17. Lincoln	21
18. Cottonwood	20
19. Brentwood	20
20. Orangevale	20

Dates Set for First Church Education Convention

April 27th and 28th are the dates set aside in the Northern California and Nevada District for the first Church Education Convention.

This Convention will have conferences for practically every phase of Church Education. Conferences will be offered on such subjects as ushering, altar workers, youth, W. M. C., Men's Fellowship, Church school architecture, classroom discipline, music in the Sunday School and the Church training hour, plus many others. The conference leaders are all well trained for their conference subject.

Rev. Charles Blair of Denver, Colorado is the featured speaker with Paul Trulin and Bob Thomas conducting the united workshops.

There will be a children's meeting conducted in conjunction with the evening service. This will enable parents with children to attend.

There will be two attendance awards given - one to the largest church delegation and one award for the largest representation from any given section in our District.

Notes will be made available on each conference and will be included in the registration fee.

"If I could hear Christ praying for me in the next room, I would not fear a million enemies. Yet distance makes no difference, for He is praying for me." (Heb. 7:25).—Robert Murray.

March 12th, First Cradle Roll Day

March 12, 1961, has been designated as the first Cradle Roll Day in the Assemblies of God. Cradle Roll Day is the newest addition to the Sunday school calendar and will become an annual affair.

The purpose of such a day is to recognize cradle roll workers, cradle roll members, and their parents. The workers in this essential department perform their duties in homes and the actual value of their ministry has often gone unrecognized.

The February, 1961, *Sunday School Counselor* will carry complete plans and ideas to aid superintendents in planning a recognition service around these important people. Watch for the February *Counselor*!

The Weaver

My life is but a weaving
Between my Lord and me,
I cannot choose the colors
He worketh steadily.

Ofttimes He weaveth sorrow,
And I in foolish pride
Forget He sees the upper
And I, the underside.

Not till the loom is silent
And the shuttles cease to fly
Shall God unroll the canvas
And explain the reason why.

The dark threads are as needful
In the Weaver's skillful hand
As the threads of gold and silver
In the pattern He has planned.

— Author Unknown

1961 Easter to Pentecost Loyalty March

The lily and the dove are two of the most significant symbols in Christianity. They also appropriately depict the 1961 Loyalty Campaign theme.

This annual emphasis is introduced on Easter and concludes on Pentecost Sunday, seven weeks later. It provides a time when special effort is put forth to encourage faithful Sunday school attendance.

Encourage the members of your Sunday school to participate in the Loyalty Campaign by attending regularly.



MISSIONARIES AT HOME

OID DILLINGHAM —

Ovid and Helen Dillingham were busy itinerating in the Redwood Section during the latter part of Feb. They are still making their home at Mission Villa in Santa Cruz.

H. B. GARLOCK

H. B. and Ruth Garlock were happy to arrive home in San Francisco on Feb. 5. They are visiting a number of the churches in the area. We are glad to have them back with us.

MRS. BERNHARD JOHNSON —

Mrs. Bernhard Johnson and her family are presently living in Mission Villa.

JOHN KENNEDY —

The last part of February saw the

Kennedys busy itinerating in the North Bay Section.

DONEL LEACH

The Leachs arrived in Sacramento from Alaska on Dec. 20. They have been warmly greeted in many churches in an effort to raise support and funds for equipment. They plan to return soon.

PAUL PIPKIN

The Pipkin family has moved to Fresno. Their new address is 2407 E. Santa Ana St., Fresno 26, Calif. The Japan Radio Crusade is now called the Asia Missionary Radio Crusade. Bro. Pipkin spends most of his time on the field raising funds for this ministry.

Personal Mention

ZELMA ARGUE ministered in Portland's First Assembly the first week in January for Pastor Kenneth Haystead. The theme was "Prayer".

ESTHER AND HELEN BOARDMAN have been ministering in Southern California.

J. L. JEFFREY can be contacted at 426 Spruce St., Modesto, Calif.

TED AND HAZEL SILVA have resigned the pastorate of Community Full Gospel Church and will be operating the Modesto Book and Bible Store jointly with Allen and Mrs. Brown. They are available for Sunday services or for week nights nearby after March 1.

WILLIAM AND INEZ SCOTT

ministered in Central Assembly in Tucson, Ariz. in January.

FRANCIS A. STURGEON ministered for 30 days in Burma. Since before Christmas he has been in the Philippine Islands. He spoke in a convention just a few miles from the Red Chinese border where as many as 10,000 attended, some walking 12 to 15 days to attend. Missionaries feel this will be their last convention. Sister Inez Sturgeon has fully recovered from the ear infection, but will remain in the States as they anticipate a trip to Europe on his return.

BORN TO —

Pastor and Mrs. Donald Annas, Jan. 20, Donald Christopher.

Pastor and Mrs. Virgil E. Sampson, Nov. 24, Alta Jean.

PRAYER

There comes a time in all prayer when the answer must be committed to the hands of God. We have persisted and prevailed in prayer. We have invoked the name of Jesus and the promises of God. Then we reach a state where prayer seems no longer to be effective. This is the time to stand fast committing our way unto the Lord, trusting also in Him that He will bring it to pass. Psm. 37:5.

How often we have brought our problems to God . . . spread them out before Him, and then taken them back again to worry and fret them through on our own.

If God has invited us to bring our needs to Him, if there is any power in Heaven to respond to the faintest cry . . . then pray as hard as you can and then rest, relax, trust in the goodness of God.

— From Food For Thot
by T. Kermit Jeffrey

Missionary's Life Threatened in Africa

Another evidence of the growing tension on many of the mission fields, was seen in a recent letter from Rev. Paul Bruton, missionary from our District to Tanganyika, Africa.

Brother Bruton wrote, "We are safe, but pray for us." His reference was to an incident which was described in the *East African Standard* as follows:

The Rev. J. Paul Bruton, an American missionary who lives in Arusha, told the *East African Standard* yesterday that he had been attacked and told he would be killed.

The incident occurred when he held a service at the church of the Mission of the Assemblies of God at Masama, about 15 miles from Moshi.

Mr. Bruton said he had told the congregation that under no circumstances were they to resort to violence, and preached a sermon on the text "Love your enemies."

"Then I saw a crowd of about 50 Africans gathering outside the church," he said. "I went out and spoke to them and they claimed to be members of the Lutheran Church."

Hit with bar

He told them he wanted no trouble and read a letter from the D.C. authorizing him to conduct religious services.

"The crowd seized me and said they were going to take me to the local chief. They tried to prevent me entering my car. An African tried to tear the door off and another hit Robert Nehemia, a student minister, with an iron bar."

Nehemia was later treated at Arusha Hospital for head injuries and six other members of the church sustained minor injuries.

A Vital Question . . .

If death should come suddenly . . . How can you be sure that your wishes will be carried out regarding the disposition of your estate;

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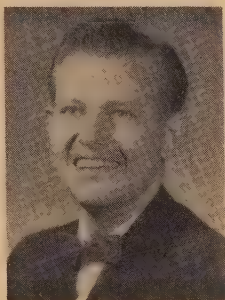
CHRIST'S AMBASSADORS

Steve Asmuth, President



Meet the New C. A. Officers

A new slate of officers was elected in the 1960 Christ's Ambassadors Convention in Stockton, California. Pastors, C. A. officers and delegates to the annual business meeting, convening at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 26, in the College of the Pacific music conservatory auditorium selected three young ministers to lead the district youth program. Tribute was paid the former officers, who for the past several years have served faithfully in developing a strong departmental program: Walt Boring, president; Doug Fairrington, vice-president; and Steve Asmuth, secretary-treasurer.



Meet
The New
D-Cap,

STEVE
ASMUTH

The little town of Morgan Hill, California, provided the childhood background for Steve. At the age of eleven he gave his heart to the Lord and several years later, in a St. Helena camp meeting, received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. After graduating from high school in 1948, he attended Glad Tidings Bible Institute (now Bethany Bible College) in San Francisco. He was in the first graduating class from the new Santa Cruz Campus in 1951.

He, with Eddie Kramer and Earl and Hazel Gould, formed the Evangelaires quartet in 1951 and traveled for four years in evangelistic work. Then, in 1955, he became assistant pastor in Calvary Tabernacle, Stockton, working with pastor Leonard Rogers there for three years. He was ordained in 1956 and later that year was elected District C. A. Secretary-Treasurer, an office he has held for four years.

In 1958 he married Jeannette Kienel, a B. B. C. graduate of '58, and shortly thereafter became associate pastor in Santa Rosa with pastor Adrian Benning. He has worked primarily in the

fields of youth and music until the 1960 district C. A. elections. The Asmuths have a one-year-old daughter Karen Joy. They have recently established residence in Santa Cruz and will be working out of the district office.

Meet
The New
Vice
President,

KEN
ROPER



At an early age Ken moved with his family from Oklahoma City to Richmond, California. In 1944 he was united in marriage with Melba Wyrick, and during the next four and one-half years he served in the Navy. Full Gospel Temple in Richmond was the scene of his conversion on December 14, 1949, and the next night he was filled with the Holy Spirit.

Ken attended G.T.B.I. from 1950-'53, and during his senior year, was associate pastor in Santa Rosa. Since graduating, his ministry has included three years of evangelistic work, a pastorate at Stirling City, and a pastorate at Covelo, where he has been for five years. He was ordained in 1955.

Ken has been a sectional C. A. representative, and for the past year has also served as a C. A. counsellor. Two boys have blessed the Roper home - Ricky, four, and Steve, one.

Meet
The New
Secretary-
Treasurer

EDDIE
KRAMER



Born in North Dakota, Eddie moved with his family to Lodi at the age of 13. When a Senior in high school he gave his heart to the Lord,

and one month later received his baptism.

After graduating, he worked in a Lodi bank for one year, then attended G.T.B.I. from 1948 to '51.

Following his Bible school graduation, at which he was salutarian, he traveled in the Evangelaires quartet, receiving ordination in 1954. When the quartet ended their ministry together, Eddie continued as an evangelist for five more years, traveling throughout the western states. For the past year he has been Associate Pastor in Richmond's Central Assembly.

On December 26, 1960, Eddie started the world by announcing his engagement to Miss Norma Hobbs of Richmond. Norma, a talented musician, is a member of the well known Hobbs family singing group. The wedding is planned for April 8, 1961 in Central Assembly, Richmond. We offer our congratulations and best wishes to a splendid couple.

ATTENTION!

C. A. Leaders - Pastors

A sectional leadership conference is being planned for you!

- Ideas, suggestions and information
- Panel discussions
- District C.A. Leaders as guest speakers

Clinic for:

Presidents and Veeps
Secretaries and Treasurers
All Committee Chairmen



Don't Miss the C. A.
Conference In Your
Section
This Month

District Calendar

- MARCH —
- 1 — Foreign Mission Committee Meeting
 - 16 — Department Heads Meeting
 - 17 — Executive Committee Meeting
 - 17 — Sectional Men's Fellowship Rally
- MARCH 31 - APRIL 1 —
- College Age Retreat
- APRIL —
- 3-28 — Speed-the-Light Tour
 - 13 — Department Heads Meeting
 - 14 — Executive Committee Meeting
 - 21 — Sectional Men's Fellowship Rally
 - 27-28 — Church Education Convention
- MAY —
- 1-7 — Church Beautification Week
 - 11-12 — Presbyters' Retreat
 - 18 — Department Heads Meeting
 - 19 — Executive Committee Meeting
 - 19 — Sectional Men's Fellowship Rally
 - 19-21 — World Pentecostal Conference, Jerusalem
 - 21 — Membership Emphasis Sunday
- JUNE —
- 1 — Home Missions Committee Meeting
 - 11 — Day of Prayer (Camps)
 - 13-14 — Presbyters' Meeting
 - 15 — Department Heads Meeting
 - 16 — District Fathers Day Rally
 - 19-24 — Tahoe C. A. Camp
 - 20-21 — Sunshine Camp, Missionettes
 - 28-29 — Mt. Lassen Adult Camp
 - 29-30 — Ministers' Clinic, Bethany Park
- JUNE 30 - JULY 9 —
- Bethany Park Adult Camp
- JULY —
- 8 — Foreign Missions Committee Meeting
 - 8-16 — Redwood Adult Camp
 - 10-15 — Mt. Lassen C. A. Camp
 - 10-15 — Bethany Kids Camp
 - 13 — Department Heads Meeting
 - 14 — Executive Committee Meeting
 - 17-22 — Bethany C. A. Camp
 - 17-22 — Mt. Lassen Kids Camp
 - 17-22 — Meeker Kids Camp
 - 24-29 — Redwood Kids Camp
- JULY 31 - AUGUST 6 —
- Hoopa Indian Camp
- AUGUST —
- 5 — Emerald Cove C. A. Camp
 - 2-13 — Redwood Adult Camp
 - 7-12 — Emerald Cove Kids Camp
 - 14-19 — Redwood C. A. Camp
 - 15-17 — Bethany Retreat
 - 17 — Department Heads Meeting
 - 18 — Executive Committee Meeting
 - 23-29 — General Council
- SEPTEMBER —
- 6-9 — Men's Fellowship Retreat
 - 14 — Department Heads Meeting
 - 15 — Executive Committee Meeting
- OCTOBER —
- 1 — Day of Prayer (District)
 - 10-12 — Fall Planning Council
 - 10 — Foreign Missions Committee Meeting
 - 10 — Home Missions Committee Meeting
 - 11-12 — Presbyters' Meeting
- OCT. 30 - NOV. 30 —
- Ministers' Institutes
- NOVEMBER —
- 10 — Sectional Men's Fellowship Rally
 - 16 — Department Heads Meeting
 - 17 — Executive Committee Meeting
 - 19 — Tithing Emphasis Sunday
 - 23-25 — C. A. Convention
- DECEMBER —
- 1 — Indian Christmas Party
 - 14 — Department Heads Meeting
 - 15 — Executive Committee Meeting

Bethany Bible College Calendar

- MAY —
- 13-14 — Yosemite Retreat
 - 26 — Baccalaureate
 - 27 — Commencement

CUT ON DOTTED LINE AND SAVE

Parents: The Problem of the Teenagers

by Alice Shamp

BEFORE you say anything, I want to tell you this — I am a teenager of sixteen years. And most important, nobody made me write this. I want to talk to you about parents. As I have a wonderful set of them myself, I think I should be a good authority on this subject.

The first argument I can expect to hear is, "But you don't know MY parents!" Well, perhaps I don't, but I do know teens and I'm talking to you — not your parents.

A great complaint I have heard is, "Mom and Dad just don't seem to realize that I've grown up, practically, anyhow!" I think that is the answer right there, "Practically, anyhow!" A lot of us aren't as grown up as we like to think we are. Growing up comes by experience and responsibility. Just because the boys have to start using a razor and the girls start wearing high heels, doesn't mean they have suddenly gained maturity. Growing up isn't always a pleasant little game. Sometimes we feel that no one in the world understands or even cares about us. But that is when Christians can turn to the Lord for comfort. I once heard someone say that we are actually lucky because we do have someone to turn to.

Teens should confide in their parents. I know from personal experience that when you do confide in them they will give you a lot more

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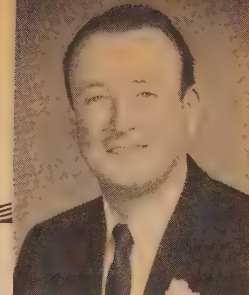
Married Couples to College

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and Bethany. Never shall I forget the day we almost lost our oldest daughter following a tonsilectomy operation. Complications set in. But the Lord undertook marvelously and spared her young life. Through it all, my wife has stood by me with the assistance none else can give. Together we both strive to fulfill the Master's bidding for our lives."

These are only two of the many married students who attend Bible college. And in many ways they represent the entire lot. In dedication — in struggles — in activities — in determination — in diligence — and in obedience to God's call.

Men's Fellowship



WALT HANSON, President

Successful M.F. Group in Ukiah Proves to be Active One



The Ukiah Men's Fellowship officers are (left to right) Gene Fowler, president; Earl Blackwell, vice president; Pastor Cornish Jones, and Fred Kelley, secretary-treasurer

We wish to report to you of the activities of the Men's Fellowship of the Ukiah Assembly of God for the past year. We have had a fairly active time for which we are very thankful.

There were nine regular meetings conducted. The Nov. and Dec. meetings were combined in one due to Christmas doings. Three of these meetings were held outside on a patio during the summer months. One of these three featured a hot dog barbecue; another, a watermelon feed; the other, home-made ice cream and cake. We had the regular business and devotional along with them.

We have continued the ministry in the County Jail and assisting the C. A's at the County Hospital twice a month. We have had good response from these services which encourages us. Literature has been distributed, but no actual account has been kept.

We had several work projects this year: —

1. The entire church and Sunday school departments were painted on the inside. One of our men, Mr. Andy Closs, a contractor, directed and worked on the project, and men of the fellowship assisted on appointed nights.

2. Renovating the nursery and making new beds for it was launched. Four specially built beds were made, two of them already installed.

3. An amplifying system for the auditorium, nursery and annex was acquired from the Delhi church and installed just prior to our Christmas program.

4. Approximately \$275 worth of impaired toys was acquired from a local store. A work night was called to repair these and there was enough to provide toys for 52 boys and girls at the Indian Mission in Covelo.

5. The Fellowship sponsored the young fellows of the Assembly in an Inter-Church Basketball League. After the series was over they sponsored a father-son banquet at a local cafe for all the fellows who participated.

Our membership is about 18. We averaged about 15 at meetings throughout the entire year.

At the November 30 dinner-meeting our annual election was held, and the following officers were elected:

Pres. Gene Fowler, 1464 Lockwood Drive; Vice-Pres. Earl Blackwell, 615 N. State Street; Sec'y-Treas. Fred Kelley, 705 W. Standley Street.

A council meeting of the new officers and pastor has already met and made plans and arranged committees for the coming year. We are expecting good things from the Lord as we work together in the coming year.

— by Earl Blackwell

Manteca M.F. Holds Monthly Meeting

The Men's Fellowship of the Manteca First Assembly of God held their monthly meeting Tuesday, Dec. 6th. The Spirit of God was present in a wonderful way. One of the local men showed pictures of his recent hunting and fishing trip and Rayford Aderholt brought the evening message. At the close of the message an altar call was made. Two hands were raised.

The man who prepared the evening meal was saved in Men's Fellowship.

There were 35 men present, eight of these were first timers. We are looking forward with great anticipation to 1961.

How It Was Done

Dr. Conant tells of a pastor who, passing a big department store, felt a sudden impulse to go in and talk to the proprietor on the subject of his salvation. Finding him, he said:

"Mr. T., I've talked beds and carpets and bookcases with you, but I've never talked my business with you. Would you give me a few minutes to do so?"

Being led to the private office, the minister took out his New Testament and showed passage after passage which brought before that businessman his duty to accept Jesus Christ. Finally the tears began to roll down his cheeks, and he said to the pastor:

"I'm seventy years of age. I was born in this city, and more than a hundred ministers and more than five hundred church officers have known me as you have, to do business with, but in all those years you are the only man who ever spoke to me about my soul."

— Selected



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This Mind In You

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bate mind . . . Being filled with all unrighteousness . . . haters of God, despicable, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, without understanding, covenant breakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful." We read in the margin that a reprobate mind is "a mind of judgment."

Oh, beloved, do we not see how necessary it is to yield our minds up entirely to the blessed Spirit of God that He may work in us complete humility and yieldedness to God? Do we not also realize from this last passage which we have quoted, how necessary it is to teach children to yield to the authority of their parents, since we find disobedience to parents included in this list of frightful sins? Just in passing, let us beseech our beloved readers to insist firmly and lovingly on an absolute obedience from their children, in accordance with the Word of God, and if they are thus disciplined from their earliest childhood they will learn to obey easily and sweetly, and it will then be easy for them to learn to obey God.

In our contact with many who are seeking blessing and healing from the Lord we find a large number of undisciplined souls who have never been taught to obey when they were young and they therefore find it very difficult to yield up their wills wholly to God. Let us remember that the Word says that God gives the Holy Spirit to them that obey Him. (Acts 5:32.) How I thank God for the love of my dear Christian parents who insisted on perfect obedience from their children, but who began to train us so early in life that most of the sting of chastisement was thus avoided. From the passage in 2 Tim. 3:1-3 we see that disobedience to parents and being without natural affection is one of the signs of the perilous times of the last days. Faithfulness to God on the part of parents, and faith in Him to take the Passover Lamb of Jesus Christ for their household, will keep God's dear children from sorrows of this kind in their families.

Paul in his Godly jealousy over the Corinthian Church was fearful lest they should yield their minds to Satan instead of to the Lord. He says, "But I fear, lest by any means, as the ser-

pent beguiled Eve through his subtilty so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ." (2 Cor. 1:3.) How sweet and simple, how holy and transparent, is the mind of our beloved Jesus; what lowliness of mind, what soundness of mind, what purity of mind we have, as He takes possession of a mind that is fully surrendered to Him. This will bring us into a state of perfect childlikeness and of faith where all things shall be possible unto us.

In 2 Cor. 10:4-5 we read how the strongholds of the carnal mind are to be cast down, "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds; casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ." The word imaginations in the margin is rendered reasonings, and it is the proud reasonings of the human mind that exalt themselves against the knowledge of God. A little child was Christ's pattern for the believer and a little child does not reason but understands intuitively and obeys implicitly. How blessed to see that we may be delivered from these strongholds and from every high thing that would prevent us from knowing God. How Marvelous the extent of deliverance that every thought of ours may be brought into captivity to the obedience of Christ.

His obedience was perfect and He will perfect that which concerneth us, as we put all into His dear hands. We have many pieces of defensive armor but only one aggressive weapon and that is the Word of God, which is "the sword of the Spirit." So, beloved, ask God to forgive you for feeding so little upon His Word; ask Him to give you a mighty hunger for His Word. Ask Him to give you grace to lay aside all light reading and things that are not worth while, and in these last solemn days be filled with the Spirit and with the Word of God which abideth forever.

The Bridegroom is still tarrying and you may still have time to get your vessels filled with oil. One reason for the Lord's tarrying is given us in Jas. 5:7, "Behold the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it until He receive the early and latter rain." "The

longsuffering of our Lord is salvation." Why do we not quickly take advantage of His commands and ask for the early and latter rain upon our life and the lives of our loved ones? The early rain has fallen; the latter rain is still falling and we are commanded in Zech. 10:1 to "ask for rain in the time of the latter rain"; but we believe God has yet much more for those who will believe and wait on Him for the great cloudburst of blessing, even the double downpour of the early and latter rain together. God help us all to yield spirit, soul and body to His absolute sway, and be ready to meet the Bridegroom when He comes. —

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Parents: The Problem

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privileges and you'll find that they do love you.

You teens who have unsaved parents have a great responsibility. Even though it doesn't show, they are watching your life to find out if your Christianity is real and worthwhile. Just a little mistake may be all they need to make up their minds that there is nothing to it. I know that the Lord will help you to be a testimony in everything you do and say, for He says, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

One of the biggest problems that teens have is that of dating. It seems that our parents don't feel we are old enough or experienced enough. I think a lot of times it is because we don't act grown up enough about little things, such as housework, errands, and obeying. If a teen isn't old enough to take on responsibility, I don't think he is old enough to date. However, there is absolutely nothing wrong about liking the opposite sex. God made us to be attracted to one another. In our teens, He is simply preparing us for the time when we will meet the right one, fall in love and marry. But even if your parents don't let you date when you think they should, it is good to remember that "God always gives the best to those who leave the choice with Him."

I think a lot of the time the terrible parents we seem to think we have are products of a good imagination. God made parents before He made children and we should respect them, their ideas, opinions, and most important, their demands. When the Bible says, "Children, obey your parents," it doesn't mean when it suits our purpose, or when we feel like it.

God gave us parents because we need them. We may think we could get along without them, but I don't think so. Most animals are on their own from the time they are a few weeks or months old. If we were left alone at the age of two years we would soon die.

I don't mean to give the impression that I think parents are perfect and teens are completely in the wrong. Parents are human and they can make mistakes. But they have been around a little longer than we have and I think we'd better listen to what they have to say. If we don't understand why they do the things they do, I think we can ask for the reason. And,

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News from Our Churches

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OAKLAND —

Calvary Temple heard the Paul Pipkin family Jan. 22, Robert Cooley, professor of Archeology at Central Bible Institute, on Jan. 29 and Music Director Forrest Beiser with the Bethany Male Chorus on Feb. 5. The pastor is Oliver Foth.

REDDING —

Enterprise Assembly reports new families have been added to the fellowship. George Effman held a revival campaign and C. A. President Steven Asmuth installed new C. A. officers in January. The pastor is Fred Boring.

RICHMOND —

Central Assembly is now in its seventh year of Men's Fellowship meetings. Recently, the number attending reached 93. Pastor Franklin Murray of Castro Valley was the speaker and music was furnished by the YFC quartet from Oakland. Several men responded to the call for salvation. Russell E. Griffin is pastor.

RICHMOND —

Full Gospel heard the Busse Evangelistic Team, missionaries going to Germany, Feb. 5. On Feb. 7 Paul Finknbinder of El Salvador spoke. J. Boyd Wolverton is pastor.

SACRAMENTO —

Bethel Temple heard Pastor Earl Johnson during the brief absence of Pastor Henson in January. Pastor and Mrs. Gerald Fischer of Sparks, Nev. were special musical guests Jan. 29. Evangelist Jay B. Oakes of Oklahoma City is to begin meetings March 12.

SACRAMENTO —

Glad Tidings Assembly reports a victorious year in 1960. A Sunday School annex with kitchen facilities has been completed. Ministering during the past year were the Maurice Luces of Samoa, Evangelist Fred and Sarah Byers, Walter Erickson of Peru, Paul Pipkin, George Effman, the Waymakers and Kingsmen from Bethany. G. L. Baser is pastor.

SALINAS —

Calvary Assembly heard John and Daisy Kennedy of Africa in January. The pastor is Ray Oliver.

SAN BRUNO —

Pastor Alvin Haun reports a good service with Dave and Carmen Paco of Bethany Bible College on Christmas night. Missionaries John and Daisy Kennedy ministered Jan. 1.

SAN FRANCISCO —

Glad Tidings Temple welcomes the graduating class of 1937 to a reunion, April 16-17. The Temple is furnishing hospitality and Burton Pierce and

Curtis Ringness are in charge. The pastor is Floyd Thomas.

SAN JOSE —

Calvary Temple heard guest speaker Robert Cooley, Jan. 22. May Swanson of Bethany Bible College filled the pulpit on Wednesday nights while Pastor Kermit Jeffrey taught Worker's Training Courses in Madera and Marysville.

SEBASTOPOL —

The North Bay Fellowship Meeting was held Feb. 6 with speakers Pastor Russell Griffin and Chaplain James Wood. Richard Jeffers is pastor.

SOQUEL —

Coast Counties Fellowship Meeting was held Jan. 23 with host pastor Rueben Davis. Speakers were Evangelist T. B. Don Carlos and Pastor L. R. Keys. A sectional business meeting resulted in the election of Pastor Ray Oliver as presbyter and re-election of Mrs. Rueben Davis as WMC Director.

SUNNYVALE —

First Assembly heard missionaries Robert and Olga Renfroe on Jan. 29. Ralph Hillegas is pastor.

TRACY —

First Assembly enjoyed a revival in January with Evangelists Oran and Audrey Duncan. The pastor is Eugene Lawrence.

TUOLUMNE —

Evangelist Claude Wood held a revival for Pastor Howard Davis in February. Some were reclaimed, refilled and healed.

UKIAH —

Lake-Mendocino C. A. Rally heard Evangelist Andy Fliflet. Pastor D. Snyder of Laytonville was elected to succeed Pastor Ken Roper since his election as District C. A. Vice-president. The pastor is W. C. Jones.

WATSONVILLE —

House of Prayer Pastor Roy Dotson, reports an evangelistic meeting with Lloyd Perera of Ceylon who also is a graduate of Central Bible Institute. The two weeks of meetings were well attended.

WILLITS —

The January Fellowship Meeting convened with Evangelist Andrew Fliflet and District Sec.-Treas. Jack Edgar speakers. The annual business meeting was also held and Presbyter George McQueen and WMC Director Margaret Jones were re-elected. Ed Byram is pastor.

WINNEMUCCA, NEV. —

Guest speakers for Pastor Maurice Caudill in January were H. G. Rannels of Sparks and the Singing Den-nas from Quincy. The Sunday School record has been broken again with 53 and a January average of 42.



NEWS from SPRINGFIELD

A QUICK VIEW OF WHAT WE ARE DOING NATIONALLY

PULPIT NUMBER 4—Revivaltime's fourth volume of sermons by C. M. Ward is off the press. A beautifully bound book of 35 sermons as preached on the broadcast, the volume is made available free to churches regularly contributing to Revivaltime. The sales price of the book is \$3.95.

BIBLE TRANSLATION COMPLETED — The Rev. John Hall, missionary to Mossiland, Upper Volta, West Africa, has completed the last of six remaining books of the Old Testament, thus completing translation of the entire Bible in Mossi, language of Mossiland. Work on the translation has been in progress 36 years with four Assemblies of God missionaries assisting with the project. Working on the translation were Eva Radanovsky, the Rev. Howard Fox, the Rev. Raymond Zents, and the Rev. and Mrs. Hall.

BUILDING PROGRESS — Work is progressing on the new Assemblies of God Administration Building. Structural steel is up and work is going forward on the floors. The four-floor and basement building presents an outstanding picture of progress of the Assemblies of God to Springfield and the area.

GOAL FOR '61 — The goal for opening new churches in 1961 is 300, the Home Missions Department has announced. This figure is based on the average number of churches opened during the past five years.

NEW DEVOTIONAL MAGAZINE — The first issue of *God's Word for Today*, new devotional booklet published by the Gospel Publishing House has sold more than 37,000 copies. The booklet, prepared by Church School Literature Department of Assemblies of God, replaces the *Family Altar Guide* that formerly had a circulation of approximately 8,000. *God's Word for Today* offers a daily devotional meditation with Bible reading, illustration, memory verse, and brief comment on the passage.

V.B.S. Workshop Itinerary

Approximately 50 VBS workshops are scheduled throughout the United States in February and March. Dur-

ing afternoon and evening sessions, how-to-do-it ideas and instructions will be presented along with special features in connection with the 1961 theme, "FULL SPEED AHEAD, With Christ Our Captain." The brand-new 1961 materials will be on display for your inspection.

Keep an eye open for next month's issue! The itinerary included will reveal the districts in which workshops will be held, the city, the date, and the personnel involved. As soon as you receive these important facts, begin to publicize your workshop. Urge everyone to take advantage of this tremendous opportunity.

Parents: The Problem

I think we can trust their judgment.

I believe we should respect, love, honor and obey our parents and we'll have happy teenage years. I think we'll find, too, that parents aren't such a problem after all!

ALICE SHAMP.

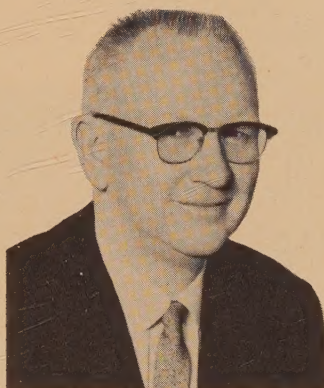
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